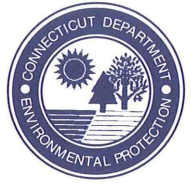


STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



May 27, 2009

Mr. Lee Grannis
Greater New Haven Clean Cities Coalition, Inc.
61 Rolling Green Road
Bethany, CT 06524

Re: Letter of Support for U.S. Department of Energy Grant, FOA No. DE-PS26-09NT01236-05:
Clean Cities FY09 Petroleum Reduction Technologies Projects for the Transportation Sector;
Program Area of Interest 04: Alternative Fuel and Advanced Technology Vehicles Pilot Program

Dear Mr. Grannis:

The Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) supports the Greater New Haven Clean Cities Coalition in its efforts to secure funding from the Department of Energy to deploy a variety of alternative fuel infrastructures and vehicles across the state that will reduce our use of petroleum fuels, and further our air quality and climate change goals.

Currently, motor vehicles account for over 50% of air pollution emissions in Connecticut. The DEP has been working diligently to reduce emissions from on-road and off-road vehicles in an effort to achieve additional emission reductions from this sector. This proposed project, if funded, would advance Connecticut's important work in reducing motor vehicle emissions by increasing the availability of low-carbon alternatives such as plug-in electric vehicles, and fuel cells and other strategies to advance Connecticut's air quality and climate change goals.

We are committed to working with the Greater new Haven Clean Cities Coalition, offering expertise based on our general experience in the field and assistance in promoting this project as part of our mobile source pollution reduction efforts and any regional efforts to adopt a low-carbon fuel standard. Any questions regarding this letter of support should be directed to Tracy Babbidge at 860-424-3027.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Amey Marrella".

Amey Marrella
Deputy Commissioner

AM/PPK/trb

cc: Anne Gobin, Chief
DEP - Bureau of Air Management
Tracy Babbidge, DEP - Bureau of Air Management
P. Kelly, DEP - Bureau of Air Management